

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A flexible foldable keyboard apparatus configured to communicate with a mobile telephone, comprising:
 - a key defining flexible plane,
 - an interface device configured to connect with the electrical connectors of a mobile telephone, and
 - a telephone support, said telephone support including a front portion connected to a rear portion by a hinge,
said telephone support being connected to said key defining flexible plane in a manner to unfold from said key defining flexible plane to present a telephone supporting configuration for a mobile telephone in which said telephone support is configured to support a mobile telephone between the front portion and the rear portion and, after removing a secured mobile telephone, said telephone support is arranged to fold onto said key defining flexible plane into a storage configuration, to allow said key defining flexible plane to be wrapped around said folded telephone support, and
 - ~~said telephone support is configured to allow an electrical connection between electrical connectors of a mobile telephone and said interface device only when the mobile telephone is~~

~~located in a correct orientation in said telephone support~~
receive a mobile telephone between said front portion and said
rear portion only when in the telephone supporting configuration.

2. (Currently Amended) A keyboard apparatus according to claim
± 18, wherein said telephone support is configured to guide a
mobile telephone into a correct orientation between said front
portion and said rear portion.

3. (Original) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein said key defining flexible plane includes a plurality of
textile fabric layers.

4. (Original) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein said key defining flexible plane includes conductive
membrane films.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) A keyboard apparatus according to claim
5 1, wherein said telephone support includes a base portion and
an extension portion arranged in combination with said front
portion and said rear portion to produce a substantially
quadrilateral configuration.

7. (Currently Amended) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 6 20, wherein said base portion is a sub-assembly arranged to support a circuit board.
8. (Previously Presented) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said flexible foldable keyboard apparatus is configured to communicate with a mobile telephone having features to assist with the generation of text documents and electronic communications.
9. (Previously Presented) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said keyboard apparatus includes keys on said key defining flexible plane to assist menu navigation.
10. (Previously Presented) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said telephone support is less thick than a mobile telephone adapted to be used therewith when said telephone support is placed in its folded configuration.
11. (Canceled)
12. (Previously Presented) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising an independent power supply for said key defining flexible plane.

13. (Previously Presented) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said power supply is constructed in a manner to receive recharging current from an external charging source.

14. (Previously Presented) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said interface device is connected in a manner such that said recharging current is also used to recharge a mobile telephone device.

15. (Previously Presented) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said keyboard apparatus comprises a storage pocket in said key defining flexible plane.

16. (Currently Amended) A method of communicating text data to a mobile telephone using a flexible foldable keyboard, comprising the steps of:

unfolding a telephone support having a front portion connected to a rear portion by a hinge from a key defining flexible plane so as to present a telephone supporting configuration for a mobile telephone in which said telephone support is configured to support a mobile telephone between said front portion and said rear portion,

locating said telephone ~~within said unfolded telephone support~~ between said front portion and said rear portion in a

correct orientation,

manually operating keys defined within said key defining flexible plane to input data,

removing said telephone from said unfolded telephone support,

folding said telephone support onto said key defining flexible plane, and

wrapping said key defining flexible plane around said folded telephone support.

17. (New) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said apparatus is configured to allow an electrical connection between electrical connectors of a mobile telephone and said interface device only when the mobile telephone is received between said front portion and said rear portion.

18. (New) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 17, wherein said apparatus is configured to allow an electrical connection only when the mobile telephone is oriented between said front portion and said rear portion in a correct orientation.

19. (New) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 1, wherein folding of the telephone support is inhibited when a mobile telephone is received between the front portion and the rear

portion.

20. (New) A keyboard apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the base portion comprises a base connecting sub-assembly that provides physical connection between the telephone support and the key defining flexible plane.